## Serving the City of La Habra .....



Our animal control officers provide field services for the City of La Habra, seven days a week, during day time hours. However, 24 hour service is available for emergencies, such as stray injured animals or aggressive animals running at large that have caused or attempted to cause injury.

In addition to responding to calls for service regarding strays, animal bites, dog licensing issues, barking complaints, and leash law violations, our animal control officers play a lead role in the enforcement of anti-cruelty regulations, investigating reports of abuse, neglect, or abandonment. They also facilitate getting veterinary care for injured animals and every effort is made to promptly reunite lost pets with their owners. In fact, it is our policy to check all domesticated animals for a license and/or an identifying implanted chip, prior to them being taken to the shelter. Animal sheltering services for La Habra are provided through a contract with Inland Valley Humane Society, 500 Humane Way, in Pomona.

## Important Phone Numbers

La Habra Animal Control

Field Services for the City of La Habra

150 N. Euclid Street, La Habra, CA (562) 383-4352

> La Habra Dog Licensing (562) 383-4355

Inland Valley Humane Society

Animal Sheltering Services for the City of La Habra

500 Humane Way, Pomona, CA. (909) 623-9777

Website: www.lvhsspca.org

California Department of Fish & Wildlife
South Coast Region

Reporting Wildlife Problems

3883 Ruffin Road, San Diego, CA 92123 (858) 467-4201

Email Address: AskR5@wildlife.ca.gov

OC Animal Care
561 The City Drive South, Orange, CA
(714) 935-6848

La Habra Police Department
Animal Control



A Guide to Pet Ownership in La Habra

(562) 383-4352



Pets can be a wonderful addition to any family. But along with pet ownership, comes responsibilities.

Courtesy and respect are part of being a good pet owner and a good neighbor. Abiding by leash laws and cleaning up after your animal's waste are a few simple courtesies you must provide. Another is making sure your pet is courteous too and doesn't disturb the peace of others by barking or howling for extended periods of time.

Here is some basic information that every resident should know about pet ownership in La Habra:

Licensing If your dog gets lost, a license is your dog's ticket home – and it's the law! Dogs four months of age or older must be vaccinated against rabies and licensed annually. Licensing fees are reduced for animals that have been spayed or neutered. Discounts are also available for pet owners who are 62 years of age or older.

Questions about vaccinations, licensing, and current licensing fees should be referred to:

## La Habra Police Department Animal Control 150 N. Euclid Street, La Habra, CA 90631 (562) 383-4352



**Leash Law** In La Habra, dogs, when outside of their owner's residence, must be in a suitable enclosure or restrained on a leash. Dogs may not run loose. Any

dog found running at large may be impounded and the owner subject to a citation for the violation.

Barking Dogs Most dogs, large or small, will bark, whine and howl at times - it's only natural. Dogs vocalize to communicate with humans



and to express themselves. Sometimes we want our dogs to bark in order to warn us about potential danger or protect us from harm. However, excessive dog barking can be considered a behavior problem and disturbs the peace of neighbors. Dogs barking intermittently are generally deemed not a problem, but when it persists on a continual basis, (10 minutes straight in a 15 minute period), for no apparent reason, the owner may be cited.

La Habra Animal Control suggests residents with concerns about a barking dog first contact the pet's owner to make them aware of the issue and allow them an opportunity to resolve the matter. Animal Bites Any animal bite is potentially dangerous so, if you have been bitten by an animal, or you know that someone has been bitten by an animal, you are required to report it immediately to La Habra Police Department Animal Control at (562) 383-4352. It will be investigated to determine the possibility of a rabies infection. Just because an animal has been vaccinated for rabies does not guarantee that the victim is not at risk. Since animal bites can transmit other diseases as well, it is important to wash any bite wound with clean water and soap and contact a doctor or medical facility for treatment advice.





For a variety of reasons, cats are placed in a different animal control category from dogs. There are few laws relating specifically to cats, which makes responsible pet ownership even more important.

Cats can and do live happily indoors. Indoors, your cat will be protected from predators as well as other dangers such as cars, dogs, and malicious people.

Your cat is also less likely to be exposed to infectious diseases and/or toxins. At a minimum, cats should be curfewed from dusk to dawn (this is the time cats are most at risk from injury and death from cars, fights with other cats, and predators, such as coyotes).